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Examiner : Natalia A. Levkovich
Applicant : Joel C. Mitchell
Serial No. : 10/780,940
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For : **ANALYZER WITH VARIABLE VOLUME BALLAST CHAMBER
AND METHOD OF ANALYSIS**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 4, 2004.

REMARKS

Applicant hereby affirms its provisional election of the Group I claims 1-9 and 26-35 for prosecution at this time. If, after reviewing this Response, claims 1-9 and 26-35 are deemed to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is authorized to cancel the remaining claims 10-25, subject to Applicant's reserved right to file divisional applications thereon during the pendency of this application.